



PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 04329.2701

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Yasufumi TAHARA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 2668  
)  
Application No.: 09/992,017 ) Examiner: Deepak H. SONI  
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Filed: November 26, 2001 )  
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For: DATA TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, ) Confirmation No.: 8247  
) AND NODE EQUIPMENT AND  
) NETWORK MANAGEMENT  
) EQUIPMENT USED IN THE SAME )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of December 29, 2005. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for a \_\_\_ month(s) extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$\_\_\_ for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	41	-	44	0	x \$ 50	\$ 0
Indep.	15	-	3	12	x \$200	2,400
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$360	0
Subtotal						\$ 2,400
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- 0
TOTAL						\$ 2,400

- ☒ A fee of \$2,400 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☐ A fee of \$\_\_\_ to cover \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.



☒ A check for \$2,400 to cover the above fee(s) is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: March 24, 2006

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**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed December 29, 2005, the period for response to which extends through March 29, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.

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